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PROFESSIONALS

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1. PER REF B, POST NOMINATES MRS. DOREEN NTETA, DIRECTOR OF THE BOTSWANA NATIONAL MUSEUM, FOR THE FY-75 MULTI-REGIONAL PROJECT FOR FOREIGN MUSEUM, PROFESSIONALS. THE GRANT FOR MRS. NTETA WILL MOST LIKELY REQUIRE ONLY PARTIAL FUNDING SINCE SHE IS BEING SERIOUSLY CONSIDERED FOR A TRAVEL GRANT TO THE UNITED STATES UNDER THE AUSPICES OF AAI. HER TRAVEL WITHIN THE UNITED STATES WOULD, THEREFORE, BE COORDINATED WITH AAI TO INCLUDE PARTICULARLY THE ANNUAL MEETING OF AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF MUSEUMS IN LOS ANGELES FROM JUNE 23 - 26.

2. FOLLOWING IS THE NOMINATION FOR A LEADER GRANT FOR MRS. NTETA:

(1) MRS. DOREEN NTETA

(2) DIRECTOR, BOTSWANA NATIONAL MUSEUM

(3) BORN APRIL 3, 1939, BOTSWANA CITIZEN

(4) TRAVEL ABROAD:

1962 KENYA, FOR ALL AFRICA CHRISTIAN YOUTH ASSEMBLY

1968 IN-SERVICE TRAINING AT NATIONAL MUSEUMS OF RHODESIA

1969-1970 UNESCO FELLOW: STUDIED MUSEOGRAPHY AND MUSEUM

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DEVELOPMENT IN EUROPE, BRITISH MUSEUM IN LONDON,

MUSEUM OF MANKIND, LONDON, MUSEUM DOCUMENTATION IN FRANCE, AND ETHNOGRAPHY MUSEUMS IN BELGIUM AND SWITZERLAND.

1971 UNESCO GRANT: TOUR OF MUSEUMS IN ZAMBIA, KENYA AND TANZANIA.

1972 REPRESENTED BOTSWANA AT THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF SOUTHERN AFRICAN MUSEUMS ASSOCIATION, LIVINGSTONE, ZAMBIA

1973 ATTENDED UNESCO SPONSORED CONFERENCE OF ANGLO-PHONE AFRICAN MUSEUM SPECIALISTS, LAGOS, NIGERIA.

1974 ATTENDED CONFERENCE AND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL OF MUSEUMS, COPENHAGEN, DENMARK

(5) PREVIOUS UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT GRANT: NONE

(6) ESCORT NOT REQUIRED

(7) MRS. NTETA IS BELIEVED TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR A VISA.

(8) MRS. NTETA IS THE SENIOR BOTSWANA MUSEUM OFFICIAL OF NATIONAL MUSEUM, WHICH HAS RECEIVED SUBSTANTIAL SUPPORT FROM INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS, GOVERNMENTS, AND FOUNDATIONS. SHE IS ALSO THE EDITOR OF THE NATIONAL CULTURAL JOURNAL "BOTSWANA NOTES AND RECORDS." IN ADDITION, SHE IS VERY ACTIVE IN CIVIC AND RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS IN THE CAPITAL CITY OF GABORONE. HER HUSBAND IS THE CHIEF STATISTIAN OF THE GOVERNMENT OF BOTSWANA. MRS. NTETA IS A BRIGHT AND ENERGETIC PROFESSIONAL AND COMMUNITY LEADER.

SHE HAS TRAVELLED WIDELY IN AFRICA AND EUROPE ON MUSEUM AFFAIRS. SHE HAS EXPRESSED A STRONG INTEREST IN VISITING MUSEUMS IN THE UNITED STATES AND UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE AAI WILL HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO DO SO. HER TRAVEL UNDER THESE AUSPICES PROVIDES THE USG THE OPPORTUNITY TO EXPAND HER ITINERARY AND ALLOW HER TO PARTICIPATE IN THE MULTI-REGIONAL PROJECT ON MUSEUM PROFESSIONALS.

(9) OUR OBJECTIVES, IN ADDITION TO THE OBJECTIVES TO THE MULTI-REGIONAL PROJECT ITSELF, WOULD BE TO ALLOW MRS. NTETA AN OPPORTUNITY TO SEE AMERICAN COMMUNITY AND CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS IN ACTION IN SMALL TO MIDDLE SIZED TOWNS. SHE WOULD BE MOST INTERESTED IN RED CROSS ORGANIZATIONS AND WOMEN'S CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS.

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